recently gone into the possible reasons of the rock bursts activities in Kolar Gold Field area and submitted a report.

(c) No landslide has taken place. Subsidence (Pot holes) were observed recently in the old mining areas at shallow depths. There were many exploratory shafts and drifts which were filled with debris at the beginning of mining, some more than 100 years back. Due to heavy rains in the recent past, the debris went down in three oases and opened the mouth of the shafts.

(d) Government of Karnataka has been requested to organize awareness programmes for general public.

Rehabilitation of land oustees

2217. SHRI SURENDRA LATH:
SHRI SURESH BHARDWAJ:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any specific rehabilitation and resettlement plan for the land oustees in different States;

(b) whether Government have given any specific guidelines for rehabilitation of land oustees by different mining and industrial concerns;

(c) if so, the details thereof and whether these guidelines are being implemented properly by respective industries; and

(d) the steps Government are taking to safeguard the interest of the land oustees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY): (a) to (d) As per Information given by Ministry of Rural Development, Government has formulated the National Policy on Resettlement and Rehabilitation of Project Affected Families-2003 (NPRR-2003). This Policy lays down minimum provisions to be given to displaced people/oustees and will be applicable to projects displacing 500 families or more enmasse in plain areas or 250 families or more in hilly areas, Desert Development Programme Blocks and areas mentioned in Schedule V and VI to the Constitution of India. The Resettlement and rehabilitation

grants and benefits envisaged in the Policy are applicable to all Project Affected Families.

Amount for Maulana Azad Education Foundation

2218. KUMARI NIRMALA DESHPANDE: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the amount sanctioned for 'Maulana Azad Education Foundation' is not adequate to help the deserving proposals, sent to the Foundation;

(b) if so, whether there is any plan to increase the amount in big way; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY): (a) to (c) In order to better meet the requirements for financial assistance sought from the Maulana Azad Education Foundatin, its corpus found was enhanced from Rs. 70.01 to Rs. 100 crores during the year 2005-06. Interest rates being low, the amount needs to be increased sufficiently. It has however, been decided in principle to double the corpus fund of the Foundation to Rs. 200 crores.

Commission for development of minorities

2219. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have constituted any Commission to study the conditions of Minorities in the country and for their development;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the terms of reference of the Commission and its composition;

(c) whether the commission has submitted its reports;

(d) if so, the details thereof including its features and the follow-up steps being taken to implement the recommendations; and

(e) if not, the time by when the report is likely to be submitted?